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2 MR. MILES: I think we are talking about seman-
3 tics now.

4 MR. MELVIN: I don't think it works both ways.

5 DEAN FORDHAM: We have had a fair amount of ex-
6 perience in Philadelphia, and I don't observe Philadelphia
7 going out of bounds in the way of interfering with the
8 State's performance of its job.

9 THE CHAIRMAN: If you grant the broad grant,
10 do you put any restrictions on the taxing power?

11 DEAN FORDHAM: Yes.

12 THE CHAIRMAN: Would you give us the benefit of
13 your comments, not in the constitution, but in the statutes?
14 I saw your report at to the constitution, and I like that.

15 DEAN FORDHAM: As far as fiscal policy of local
16 government is concerned, I wouldn't write the old-fashioned
17 debt limitations in nor put any constitutional restriction
18 on. I would leave that to the Legislature to coordinate
19 its local finance with State finance. I looked at this
20 provision with great admiration, the one in your report
21 about finance.